

**Town of Lincoln**  
**Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes**  
January 9, 2012  
Town Hall Meeting Room

**Board of Selectmen Present:** Chairman Peter Moore, Selectman Patricia McTeague and Selectman O. J. Robinson.

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Peter Joseph, Planning & Zoning Administrator Matt Henry, Recreation Director Tara Tower, and Community Recreation Coordinator Teneil Rineer.

**Public Present:** Tamra Ham, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Peterson, and Ron Beard.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Peter Moore called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.

## **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION: "To approve the minutes of December 19 and December 30, 2011 as amended."**

Motion: Patricia McTeague    Seconded: O.J. Robinson    All in favor.

## **III. OLD / NEW BUSINESS**

### **Recreation Department**

Tara Tower gave the Board a brief update on current events within the Recreation Department. She stated that many people that visited the Kanc Rec Ski Area during the Christmas vacation commented on how nice the facility looked. There was also some further discussion with Teneil Rineer regarding her job as the Community Recreation Coordinator. No decisions were made regarding her position however Peter Moore commented that the Board is reviewing her salary in comparison with other positions within the Town as well as the salary range of her position in other comparable towns.

### **Review of the Fire Department**

Peter Joseph discussed with the Board the status of the Fire Department as well as the posting, application and selection process for hiring a new Fire Chief. He added that there is no need to rush but the process should also not be prolonged. There was some discussion regarding the duties of the Fire Chief. Ed Peterson commented that firefighters have a residency standard and that the Fire Chief should as well. O.J. Robinson stated that he does not see residency as an issue but would like to see a time limit on how far away the Fire Chief is from town. He added that opening the position up to a large pool of candidates is the fairest way to handle the selection process. Peter Joseph would also like the position opened up to a larger pool of candidates outside of just residents. He doesn't think residency should be an issue for firefighters either. Ron Beard commented that there may be someone looking to retire and relocate to this area who would be interested in the position. Tamra Ham asked if the hiring process would be made public, to make residents feel comfortable with the process. Peter Joseph stated that the position will be advertised for three weeks in eight to ten different sources. There was some further discussion regarding training and firefighter certification within the department.

## **FY2012 Budget Process Update**

Peter Joseph updated the Board on the FY2012 Budget and the upcoming budget schedule. The joint Budget Committee meeting with Woodstock was also briefly discussed.

## **Town Manager's Report**

Peter Joseph briefly updated the Board on the Chenard case and the decision to deny Finding of Fact.

Peter Joseph also informed the Board that there will be a meeting with the Army Corp of Engineers and Dubois & King to discuss the Bunker Lane Riverbank Stabilization Project. This meeting will include a site visit. Patricia McTeague will attend on behalf of the Board.

Peter Joseph updated the Board on the Loon Bridge project. He stated that the project may be pushed off until 2013 as the NH Department of Transportation may mandate additional requirements that will push the project back.

Peter Joseph informed the Board that the Town did not have to utilize the emergency appropriation at all.

## **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:00pm the following motion was made:

### **MOTION: "To adjourn."**

Motion: O.J. Robinson      Second: Patricia McTeague      All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matt Henry

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Chairman Peter Moore

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Selectman Patricia McTeague

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Selectman O. J. Robinson